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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1915.

Speaks Well for Virginia

T speaks well both for Virginia's financial condition and for her agricultural interests that the recent State Fair not only cleared expenses, but made a considerable sum of money. During the past year all amusement enterprises have suffered from the stringency, and the success of this exposition establishes the fact that it is to be considered, not as an entertainment, but as an educational institution in which the people of the State are

Greece is liable to become the back yard of the Balkan war

Ships of Our Own

O NE of the most hopeful features of the present business prosperity enjoyed by this country is the shipbuilding boom. The shipyards are humming with an activity foreign to them for many years. At Newport News fifteen ships of large tonnage are on the stocks, and the Northern builders are

We have been handicapped in the matter of shipbuilding by the paucity of our opportunities. American ships have been contracted for individually, while English vessels were standardized and built in lots. Then, again, the difference in wages on this side of the water has made it difficult for our shipbuilders to hold their own. The result has been that most of our commerce has been carried by English-built and English-owned shipping.

The war has given us our opportunity. American designers are the best in the world, we have access to unlimited supplies of steel and wood, and our chief disadvantage, the cost of labor, has been largely remedied by the rise in wages in England resulting from the scarcity of workers. It seems probable that American commerce in the future will be largely transported by American vessels. and without the need of government sub-

Weeks. Hughes or Reot?-Springfield. Mass., Republican. There is nothing personal in the query, but remember the adage of the grandpaps, "Root, hog or nie"

A New "Man of Destiny

this country will read with satisfaction that Sir John French is to be succeeded by Sir Douglas Halg, in command of the British armies and France and Flanders. Sir John gallant soldier, certainly, but in the supreme moments the British troops have seemed to lack that final and definite efficiency that transforms a drawn battle, or a minor success, into complete victory.

Individually or in small masses, there is ascribed to the lack of high-explosive shells. dance of gallant men. The fault must be panies profits. ascribed to the high command.

will have what his predecessor possibly lacked - shie price. the unfaltering support of the Wer Office. He may be England's "Man of Destiny

name has been filed as a candidate for the lister and convenient schedules. presidential nomination. Yex, in Nebracks. of course. And the petition was filed by Re-

Not a Criminal Court

IN rejecting the amendment providing that one of the police justices might serve as judge of the Juvenile Court, the Board of Aldermen showed an understanding of at least one of the requirements essential to the proper conduct of such a court-its complete of criminal law. Police courts, at their best. size, the volume of work in itself discourages kindly study of individual cases.

A great and fine opportunity lies before the judge of the new court. Not only will pitiful cases of delinquent children confront him to test his sympathy and his understanding. but equally pitiful cases of delinquent grownups will come before him for settlement. No iron-clad rules of law, no well-adjudicated principles of the weight or admissibility of

pass on the guilt of habituals or jail-hardened criminals. He will have to look into the hearts of children and of men and women who, like children, are undisciplined; and to do this he must have, first of all, an understanding heart.

A monument is not necessary to perpetuate the name and good works of the late Francis Marion Cockrell, one-time United States Senator from Missouri, and colleague of George Vest. He was more faithful to his State and country than the average public servant, and a Christian gentleman. Missouri could do no better than erect a memorial that will include these two men, who honored it so long and well in the upper house of Congress.

Dreadnoughts Rule the Waves

JOW completely the matured reflection of naval experts has rejected the amateur theory, so popular in the early period of Germany's submarine warfare, that the day of the great battleship was over, and that of the underseas craft had dawned, is shown in the statement presented to Congress on Tuesday by Secretary of the Navy Daniels.

Of course, the modern battle fleet is not composed exclusively of Dreadnoughts. There must be adequate allotment of battle cruisers. scouting cruisers, torpedo-boat destroyers and sea-going submarines, for otherwise the allbig-ship fleet would succumb to the finer effectiveness of a better-balanced adversary. But the Dreadnought is and must be the principal reliance-the steel girder of the structure of naval efficiency. Nothing can take its place. Says Mr. Daniels in his statement to Congress:

The first and most important lesson The first and most important lesson is that the British grand fleet, composed not only of Dreadnoughts and super-Dreadnoughts, but also of battle cruisers, light cruisers, destroyers, submarines and auxiliaries, has to date maintained command of the sea. It is further known that, despite the efforts of submarines and other minor craft, the losses of this fleet have not been serious.

These deductions from the lessons of experience do not admit of successful contradiction, for they must be obvious to the mind every man who has followed the course of the great war, as it has been waged at sea. Britain and her allies have kept nearly undisputed command because their superiority in capital ships has been so pronounced. The German battle fleet, on which hundreds of millions have been spent, is locked up in the Kiel Canal, and the German flag has vanished from the highways of ocean commerce. The destruction of Austro-German foreign trade by allied naval power must represent a net loss of hundreds of millions more.

For this the exploits of all the submarines Germany has been able to send to sea cannot even remotely compensate. Winston Churchill's rather foolish boast that the British navy would "dig the German fleet out" of its defenses at Kiel and Helgoland never had any chance of fulfillment, but the British navy, nevertheless, has achieved its mission. The German navy, with the exception of the submarines, is as impotent affoat as it would be at the bottom of the sea

Ways have been found, moreover, to deal with the menace of the submarines. They yet find an occasional victim, but evidence accumulates that they are becoming less and less the sea scourge they were thought six months ago. Many of them, caught in nets or destroyed by shell fire, have lost forever the power to sting.

The American navy is in a position to profit by what the war has taught other nationsand it will profit. We shall have battle cruisers and scouts and destroyers and a full complement of submarines of various types. but the Dreadnought remains what its name

What became of the fleet that came out of Kiel a few weeks ago? Or was it like the phantom ships that scared New York out of its boots during the Spanish-American War?

Richmond and Hopewell

DEFINITE announcement by President offered him? Johnson, of the Norfolk and Western Railway, that the commutation rate between FRIENDS and well-wishers of the ailies in Richmond and Hopewell, which is soon to be placed in effect, will not exceed 71 cents a round trip, is cheering news. Mr. Johnson permits it to be understood that the rate agreed on may be substantially less than the French is en able strategist, perhaps, and a maximum figure of 71 cents, and if this reduction, which is now being considered, should be found feasible, it would redound to the advantage of Richmond and Hopewell and of the interested railroads.

The rate must be the product of agreement between the Norfolk and Western and the no better soldier than the British soldier, be Atlantic Coast Line, over whose tracks the he Englishman or Irishman, Weishman or trains will be run. It is not hard to under-Scot. On a thousand fields he has proved stand that both these roads have a natural his martial fitness. The insufficiency of the interest in developing Richmond-Hopewell British attack at Neuve Chapelle may be trade. The closer the connection between the two cities and the better service offered, but in the later oftensive at Loos there was an - the more freight and passenger traffic will abundance of artillery support and an abun- be fostered and the greater the railroad com-

There will come a time as a matter of Sir John French has had his opportunity to course, when practically all of those who win an immortal glory. He has falled, and work in Hopewell will desire to live there, but it is for new hands to take up the -word that I this is not true now, even under normal confaiters in his uncertain grasp. Sir Dougles ditions, and is more notably untrue in view Haig has seemed to possess the essential of the tremendous destruction wrought by qualities of leadership. He has carried to the fire. There are thousands of Hopewell success the separate undertakings committed , workers who must find homes elsewhere for to him and has been incutioned repeatedly in | their families and themselves. Many of the dispatches for distinguished service on them are living now in Petersburg and paythe field of battle. To very many he has ing rents that the Petersburg Index-Appeal loomed tallest among the generals Britain admits are extortionate. Richmond offers has sent to the front. He is comparatively comfortable dwellings, within easy walking young. He has the army's confidence, and distance of the railroad station, at a reason-

Already 1.400 Hopewell men have agreed to use the through train service that is to be naugurated on December 27. That number

In the meantime, it is the outy and opportoolty of Richmond to take care of this expected influx of new residents. There should be no repetition here of the expertion prac-Petersburg. We have no thought

Huerra is again socked up at El Paso, And although his supported that his present incarceration is the result of a German plot which Huer's was engaged to stir up, he does separation from the ordinary administration | not occupy a place which entitles him to be called back as has been the case with other are merely punitive. In a city of Richmond's plotters. If Huerta ever gets back to Brooklyn, he will probably alley to his lawnmower and keep away from the counsels of Count van Bernstorff

> We beg leave to suggest for its bership in the newly formed Cost Club in London Mr. George W. Perkins B. M., who has developed active symptoms of softing in.

To be of the elite in New York, one must

SEEN ON THE SIDE

Closer and Closer.

All the good little boys And the good little girls Are dreaming of toys, And each little head whirls With the mad joy of life At the crown of the year

When with fun days are rife-

Merry Christmas draws near,

The Pessimist Says:

Speaking of Christmas spirit, it is sad to recall that this is the last Christmas season during which several excellent brands of it will be on legal sale in Richmond.

Not if She Sees Him First. "I saw your friend Gammon last night, and he told me he is going to marry as soon as he

can find a good, sensible woman. "No woman of that brand would ever stand still long enough in Gammon's presence for him to make a proposal."

Skugge Saye:

I have my suspicions of a man who presumes to be everlastingly prepared. I have heard of weather prophets who got caught in a thunder shower and didn't know where to borrow an umbrella.

You can't feather a nest on your wife's ha trimmings.

"Hello, Bub; is your sister Susic sewing socks "Naw, She's darnin' up her own, thinkin' she's goin' to get 'em filled Christmas."

More Preparedness.

"And so you are going to be married?" 'Sure."

"Do you think you are fitted for such a life?" "Just about." "And the girl?"

"Oh, yes. She was fitted last week. Had the dressmaker up to her house for the last ten days, so that I couldn't see her."

Success of Inspiration.

Here is a story showing how a man will sometimes fall into the lap of success in a moment. The story is absolutely true. An Englishman of rare gifts came to this country. In spite of his genfus, he failed at everything he undertook until the last chance, and then wasn't sure until he landed. In his own country he was a writer on any subject that he was assigned to do. But the gift vanished when he came here. One day he read an advertisement of a railroad company that wanted a man to get out a circular for the company. He in person. The vice-president, who received him, told what he wanted. Above all, the circular was to be original. Quality was what was required. The applicant asked when the matter had to be submitted. "To-morrow," was the reply. The applicant said it was impossible, but he was told that it must be done by the time mentioned or not at all. The applicant said he would try it. He employed an expert stenographer. He dictated to her until 2 o'clock in the m rning. When he read the copy he tore it up. Then he wrote an article with his pen. It was daylight when he finished. He read it and tore it up. At daylight he lay down, exhausted. In that moment he saw a light. He jumped from his couch and wrote a paragraph of 200 words. This he cut down to it bristled with originality. He took it to the vice-president, who was amazed. He said: "What you have written is perfectly obvious. But we never thought of it before. The job is yours." The man is to-day at the head of the publicity bureau of one of the great railroad lines of the country and receives a salary that enables him to have all the comforts and pleasures of life.

Her Own Handiwork. Wife (angrily)-I think you're the meanest

than that ever was. Hub-That's hard on yourself, my dear. According to your mother you have been the making of me - Boston Transcript

"Did Litebrane accept the position that was

but changed his men mind when he found he had misconstrued the proposition entirely. It appeared the man who made him the offer actually wanted him to

Proof Positive.

Grubbs- Does Jinks possess a sense of humor? Stubbs-! should say be does. Why, I have II seen that man grin when somebody else's four aces beat his four kings.

In the Way of Business.

"That athletic-looking man in the golf cap-has knocked down more former favorites of the old families than any one in town." "What is he-a pugilist" No; an auctioneer."

Either Would Do.

music extractor and a Ford early

What is your husband going to give you when ou celebrate your tin wedding?" I don't believe he has quite made up his mind. He is trying to decide between a canned

No chauffeur is a hero to the man who owns

Disconcerting. Good fellows who creep home at night

May feel no single trace of fear, But yet it is annoying, quite, To have the keyhole disappear.

Chats With Virginia Editors

"Norfolk is the shopping center," boasts the Ledger-Dispatch. Yes, of a very small cir-

There will be no legislation in Washington We knew it would come. Heary Ford's Can be increased by liberal committation | Press, "and that is very considerate of Coname has been filed as a candidate for the latter and convenient schedules." And a source of comfort to the night editors of the newspapers.

Judging from some of the things that happened here last Saturday night," says the Halifax Gazette, "Christmas celebrating is starting earlier than usual in this burg." South Boston being strictly a dry town, an explanation of the above is in order.

Referring to a recent event in its town, the Clifton Forge Review says: "That 'get-together banquet' was a step in the right direction. Just keep it up and ere long this favored section of the Old Dominion will blossom as the rose."
Nothing gets folks closer together than a joyoux eating proposition.

The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, always looking forward to trouble, says: "Our brother paragraphers are with almost one accord commentng on the fact that 2,000 bills were introduced Congress on the opening day of the pession, but the bills that are worrying us are those which will be presented for payment on the first day of next January.

"Looks very much as if peace on earth was evidence, will help him much. He will not leave the lower button of the walktorat alar. | going to be largely on this side of the water ald.

this season," opines the Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch. To which the Richmond Times-Dispatch rejoins: "Well, Mr. Ford and his crew are on the water." But then yesterday's dispatches make it appear that already the Ford dove of peace has had its feathers ruffled, since S. S. McClure and Judge Ben Lindsay threaten to bolt the party if it adopts Rev. Aked's unpatriotic opinions as its platform .-- Lynchburg Advance. And some later dispatches seem to indicate a further ruffling of feathers, but let's give Mr. Ford a fair chance.

News of Fifty Years Ago

(From the Files of This Paper, Dec. 16, 1865.)

According to the written statement of A. S Buford, president of the Richmond and Dan-ville Railroad, submitted at the recent eigh-teenth annual meeting of the stockholders, it is proposed at an early date to change the gauge of the New River Road to make it con-form to that of the Richmond and Danville and to connect these two roads through the lower part of the city. A corresponding change of the gauge of the Piedmont Railroad from Danville to Greensboro is deemed of vital impor-tance, and that matter will be taken up early in the coming year.

By direction of Major-General Terry, commanding the Department of Virginia, district commanders are ordered not to issue arms of any kind to police or military organizations raised under State authority. If any arms have been so issued they will at once be reclaimed. All surplus ordinance property must be forwarded to the arsenal at Fortress Monroe.

Inasmuch as the Tennessee delegation has been admitted to privileges on the floor of the Representatives, in deference to the wishes of President Johnson, the Representa-tives from Virginia and Louisiana who are still in Washington are now urging that they, too, be granted the same privilene. There are four, perhaps five, of the Virginians who could subscribe to the test oath. However, neither Conscribe to the test oath. gress or the President are pleased with the temper and spirit now being displayed by the Legislature of Virginia.

Mr. Farnsworth, of Illinois, vesterday offered a resolution in the House, declaring that col-ored soldiers should be entitled to equal rights and privileges with all other American zens. The resolution was referred to the select joint committee of fifteen. Mr. Chandler, of New York, who opposed the reference to the committee, de lared this is a white man's govcommittee, declared this is a white man's gov-ernment, and must ever remain so, and that these resolutions and propositions looking to negro equality only inflame sectional passions instead of subduing them.

Mr. Schenck, from the House Committee on Military Affairs, reported a joint resolution re-questing the President to suspend any further order mustering out the officers of the Veteran Reserve Corps until Congress shall have to consider what disposition to make of it.

General Grant, in Washington yesterday, ex-pressed himself as being highly pleased with his recent southern trip, but regrets "to find the people in some quarters sullen and inclined In the United States Senate yesterday, Sena-

tors Anthony and Pessenden denounced the re-ports of the Associated Press of Senate proceedings as being incorrect and meager. Among the visitors at the White House yesterday were Generals Grant, Kilpatrick, How-ard and Logan and Mr. Trenholm, of Charles-

ton, S. C., late Secretary of the Treasury the Confederate States. Mrs. Annie E. Kirby, charged with the mur-Mrs. Anne E. Kirny, charged with the mur-der of her husband, was yesterday sent on to the grand jury of Judge Lyon's court, and it is now definitely settled that her trial will take place at the February term of the court.

The amendments offered in the Senate to the Stevens resolutions were satisfactory to Stevens, and they passed the House as amended in the This means that no Southern members will be admitted either to the House or Senate until the select joint committee of fif-teen reports on the conditions in the States lately "in rebellion."

The Voice of the People

Approves Co-Ordinate College.

To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.—The striking news article in The TimesDispatch this morning, giving an interview
from Dr. Buchanan in regard to the co-ordinate
college for Dispatch this morning, giving the co-ordinate from Dr. Buchanan in regard to the co-ordinate college for women at the University of Virginia, reminded me of what I had meant to do and so far have failed to do. One day last week your editorial columns contained an article in regard to the college, and I want to express my hearty admiration for its clear and straightforward message. It seems to me that everything you said there is wholly true, and I am heartily glad that The Times-Dispatch has given to the city and the State a pronouncement on this vital matter which is so clear and unequivocal.

W. RUSSELL BOWIE. Richmond, December 14, 1915.

Statues Only for the Great.

To the Editor of The Times Dispatch:
Sir.—It is high time that a half should be called on the crection of statues in the public places of Richmond. We will be a laughingstock to the world that judges rightly of such things. The admirers or family of an individual get together, furnish the money, get a permit (easily) and forthwith there appears a statue in some park or thoroughfare.

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If these people wish to commemorate the lives of these individuals, there are numberless ways of doing so in thinks which would prolong the memory of the individual and also benefit the city.
Sintues should be reserved for great heroes, remisses and exceptional benefactors of human-F. S.

ity. Richmond, Va., December 12, 1915.

Queries and Answers

Enster.

Please tell me the date of Easter in 1916. W. B. ANDERSON.

Virginia's Old Debt

Please tell me for what the antebellum debt of Virginia was incurred and the sum and cite conclusive authority for latter. WILLIAMSBURG

Almost entirely for "internal improvement." \$38,710,857.22. Senate document No. 24, session 1877-8.

Grammatical.

Please let me refer again to the query asked some days ago John Doe, just wakened, said: "I thought I heard a woman's voice calling John Brown answered: White's." Then John Doe asked: "Was it her?" referring to the voice. Please tell me whether this use was permissible. READER. "Her" in the use would be a possessive adjective. So soon as the word "voice" is omitted, the adjective must be converted into a pronoun to stand in place of the noun and must take the form "hers." possible circumstances could "her" be employed in the sentence you give.

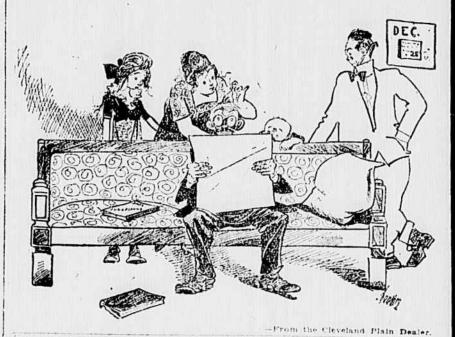
Current Editorial Comment

Senator Underwood's long ex-Underwood Senator Underwood's long ex-perience in legislation and his will Meet masterful leadership in the Opportunities riouse of Representatives en-titled him to important commit-

titled him to important commit-tee assignments in the upper House and each of the three committees of which he is now a member—Interstate Commerce, Appropria-tions and Interoceanic Canals—will afford him new opportunity for high achievement in the service of his country. To the Interstate Com-merce Committee are referred many questions of far-reaching import, including whatever re-lates broadly to the transportation situation. lates broadly to the transportation situation and as Senator Underwood has given mucl thought to railroad problems and has aroused wide interest by his clean-cut discussion with in the past twelve months, he will naturally be counted upon for constructive work in this

Preparedness

One of the Day's Best Cartoons.



NEW POSTS FOR ENGLISH WOMEN

Medical posts were thrown open to women which before the war would have been plums reserved for male women which before the war would show that there has been an increase have been plums reserved for male consumption only, and some of these women in London banks since the becomes the posts are actually going begging though not such striking figures, are at the present moment, because the given for some other city employments demand for women doctors is greater than the supply. The London County of the most conservative banks in 'ouncil has even recently waived its

tendency to pay a woman less than a man, and in at least one instance a woman teacher took the duties of home state Eank there is a woman two men—or rather one and three-chief cashier paid at the same rate quarters, a small portion of the work as a man.

Among professional women, doc- being taken on by another teacher-Among professional women, doctors and teachers of university standing found the most immediate demand for their services in place of men gone to the front, states the London Times. Medical posts were thrown open to women which before the war would given for some other city employments.

of the most conservative banks in London women have been employed Council has even recently waived its ban on married women doctors in the case of a doctor whose husband had gone to the front.

Women teachers have been replacing men and proving themselves able to keep their classes in control, even if they are not able to join in the making up of pass books. But in one bank at least very long hours have been taking an out-of-doors class in surveying in a boys echool with great success. But in the teaching profession there is always a tendency to pay a woman less than onen to comparison. In the future, however, they will be. In the Stock-

DEFENSE AGAINST SUBMARINES

In the recent complete breakdown uses have proved to be the most suc-of the German submarine attack on cessful. Probably more submarines

In the recent complete breakdown of the German submarine attack on merchant shipping, we witness another of those silent victories over the German anay, of which the present war has been so fruitful. The first and greatest of these, of course, was the complete immobilization of the German high-sea fleet, whose twenty or more breadnoughts and battle cruisers have been shut up helplessly in German North Sea ports and in the lialite from the very day that war was declared. To what are we to attribute the sudden collapse of the German submarine-radding expeditions? The answer is to be found in the two fields of mechanics and psychology. We stated many months ago, when the submarines were at the height of their activities, that the experience of past naval wars justified the expectation that some effective means would be discovered for defeating the U-boat attack; and the event has proved that we were right. It is safe to say that no branch of the great naval and military operations of this war has been the subject of more thorough investigation by the scientist and the inventor than that of submarine warfare on its defensive side. Very fruitful has been the study of this problem, and most efficient have been the means adopted.

Not until the history of the war comes to be written, probably, will it be known which of the defensive meas-

Unpopular America

Writing from the war zone, Richard Harding Davis says we have lost the friendshin of the French people by insisting on neutrality. Every writer who analyzes German sentiments tells us that nation is hitter against us because we are furnishing munitions to kill its soldiers. Britain, we have been assured repeatedly, is sorely disappointed and cool toward us because we have not joined with her in fighting the Teutons. Austria is so angered with us that she attempted but a few months ago to tell us how we should handle our commerce. Our money saved Belgium from starvation and Servia from a typhus plague, yet both these little countries probably feel that we have done only what we should do, and are not particularly deserving of thanks. This makes it the unantmous verdict that the United States is about the most unpopular nation in the world. Yet there is no noticeable feeling of sorrow here because we are and isn't Dickens the intention of the French statistician who figures that a man of fifty has spent 1.500 of his days at table. Fifteen hundred days is a long time—especially as the same man has walked only \$600 and spent only 6.000 in sleep. If iterature is, in Matthew Arnoid's phrase, "critteism of life," has eating precised about dreams, and those of all his pupils in all countries. As for cated that the United States is about the most unpopular nation in the world. Yet there is no noticeable feeling of sorrow here because we are Writing from the war zone, Richard | Hating is in France a social act. the Old World when peace returns is made David Warfield a hit in when the fat revenues derived from turkey that was and the Christmas American globe trotters are resumed. If they don't like us they won't show ly. -Youngstown Telegram.

No Parcel Post to Germany.

A little German servant girl stopped at the parcel post window in the Grand

Johnny the names of the Kings of Eng-Central Substation with a package land, containing a doll for her little sister "W in the Fatherland, says the Kansas City Star. There was also a shawl for names of the Kings backwards and for her mother and a pipe for her father. Ward. They could buy just the same articles "Ye in Germany, but she knew they would like these because she had saved the money and bought them herself at a fine American store. But when she handed the package through the win-dow the man on the other side shook his head.

"No parcel post mail to Germany now," he said. "So? But why?" she asked. The man behind the window explained. The steamship companies would not take any but first-class mall matter for Germany, he told the girl, because some people had abused the parce post privilege by sending articles which were contraband of war.

Hawnitan Pineapples.

The pineapple production of the Hawaiian Islands for 1915 will approxi-mate 2,500,000 cases of canned prod-uct, so experts report. Years ago the pineapple canneries threw away cores, parings and trimmings as refuse. Nowadays the one-time refuse is converted into a mash from which pineapple juice is extracted, the cores are cut into cubes and used in the manu-facture of glace fruit, and no part of the pineapple is lost .- New York

Gastronomic Literature

an in any other novelist-Dickens the most popula feeling of sorrow here because we are and isn't Dickens the most popular so disliked. There are a great many millions of Americans who do not give at the theater we have observed that a "consarn" what Europe thinks of nothing holds the crowd so surely as us, if she just leaves us out of her a table scene—in spite of the shock-family quarrel. The flood of American ing insufficiency of stage meals. That likely to dispel much of this antagon-ism, anyway. London, and to a greater extent Berlin, Paris. Vienna, Rome and at a season when one stands hungrily the European resorts, will smile again midway between the Thanksgiving

"Why, when I was your age," she

said, disgustedly, "I could recite the "Yes'm," said Johnny, "but when you

was my age there wasn't so many

When the Baby's Sick. well! He's sick t'-day, yisterday the doctor Jes' couldn't stay away.

Kings."-Tit-Bita.

An' runnin' good and quick, Fer pa won't stand for foolin' Wen the baby's sick! Ma, she's jes' a-jumpin', Fixin' up the bed, An' tellin' all the neighbors

What the doctor said; Pa can't read his paper, Ner go t' work, ner joke, Jes' waitin' on the baby, An' tryin' not t' choke.

Sis, she does the cookin' An' bein' awful nice.
An' she's been a-cryin', Fer I seen her twice! "Looks like I been cryin'?" Say! Y're not s' slick! You an't got no baby, An' our baby's sick!

-Christian Herald.